

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated September 5, 2003, having a shortened statutory period set to expire December 5, 2003. Claims 1-51 are pending. Applicants have amended claims 1, 9, 17, 25, 33, 41, 49, 50 and 51.

Claim Amendments

Claims 1, 9, 17, 25, 33, 41, 49, 50 and 51 have been amended herein merely for clarification purposes. The amendments make clear the presence of three separate data processing systems within each of the independent claims. These amendments do not add any new matter, since the claims as they currently stand present (both explicitly and implicitly) all three data processing systems. Consequently, Applicants request that the Examiner enter these amendments as they place the claims in better condition for allowance.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 103

On page 2 of the Office Action, Claims 1-7, 9-15, 17-23, 25-31, 33-39, 41-48 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jamtgaard et al. (U.S. 6,430,624) and further in view of Chase et al (U.S. 6,094,671). On page 4 of the Office Action, Claims 8, 16, 24, 32, 40, 48 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Jamtgaard et al. (U.S. 6,430,624), Chase et al (U.S. 6,094,671) and further in view of Puri et al. (U.S. 6,148,330). Those rejections are respectfully traversed and reconsideration of claims is requested.

Rebuttal to Examiner's Response to Applicant's Arguments

With regard to Applicant's first point that the references do not show receiving a request for information and sending the information to both the requesting computer and a second designated computer used by the user, the Examiner points out the broadcast capability of Chase for targeting specific sub-groups for the broadcast (for example column 6, lines 32-35). However, nowhere does the Examiner suggest that the broadcast to such sub-groups results "in response to a request from" one of the receiving stations in the sub-group, as required by claim 1. Importantly, Chase et al. also discusses (in conjunction with Figure 6) sending specifically

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requested information to a single source and a single receiver system, but there is no mention of additionally sending a subset of the information to one of the user's other computers. Therefore, broadcasting is not taught in response to a "request" from one of the receivers.

With respect to the broadcast capability described at column 6, lines 32-37, Chase nowhere suggests that the broadcast includes "sending a reduced-content page corresponding to the first page, from the data processing system to the first client system" and further "sending the first data page from the data processing system to a second client system," as is required by claim 1. The references are completely devoid of any reference to a broadcast capability to two or more computers where one computer receives a subset of the data received by other computers within the broadcast.

The references do not teach "receiving" a request from one of the receivers for information and "sending" a full page to one computer and a reduced-page to another computer in response. For these reasons, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of claim 1.

In response to Applicant's arguments that exemplary claim 1 recites "three computer systems" interconnected by low-cost and high-cost communication links, the Examiner argues on page 5 of the present Office Action that claim 1 does not recite a third computer, and then again discusses the high-speed and low-speed links between a single receiver and a single transmission station. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the claim limitations provided in claim 1.

Applicant would first point out that claim 1 recites "a data processing system," "a first client system," and "a second client system." These systems comprise the three computers that Applicant referred to in our last response. Further "the first client system communicates with the data processing system over a more expensive connection than the second client system communicates with the data processing system."

In response to the Examiner's argument that "the receiver station and the transmitter station can be related as the first computer and the second computer" (see page 5 of the present

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Office Action), Applicant respectfully points out that exemplary claim 1 in the present application requires a first computer system be connected to second computer system over a low-speed link and a third computer system over a high-speed link. Chase only discloses two computer systems having dual communication links. This does not show or suggest the present invention.

Consequently, for the reasons given above, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of exemplary claim 1 and withdrawal of the rejection under Section 103. Also, for the reasons given above, Applicant submits that *Jamtgaard* in view of *Chase et al.* do not show or suggest claims 2-51 and that those claims should also be reconsidered and the rejection under Section 103 withdrawn.

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